

September 11, 2008

The Board of Public Works & Safety met at 4:00 p.m. on the above date in the Meeting Room at City Hall Annex with Mayor Tucker presiding and members Askren and Higgins attending. Others attending were Chief Waters; Chief Beloit; Comm. Maynard; Supt. Givens; and Pam Robinson – Posey County News.

Mayor Tucker called the meeting to order by stating members were either mailed or hand carried copies of the minutes of their previous meeting and by asking if there were any corrections or additions. He added if not, he entertains a motion to waive their reading and to approve the minutes as presented. Board member Higgins moved the reading of the minutes be waived and they be approved as presented. Seconded by Board member Askren.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker requested action on the claims presented.

Board member Askren moved the claims presented be allowed for payment. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

*****CLAIMS*****

Mayor Tucker stated they will now hear the reports of the Departments.

Chief Beloit stated in reference to the color printer he has been getting quotes on, he now has all of them in and Office Ware seems to be the best deal. He stated the price started out at \$686.00, but he got the salesman to go down to \$595.00.

Board member Higgins asked if he will be purchasing the printer or leasing it ?

Chief Beloit replied he will be purchasing it. He added there is a warranty included as well, and a service contract for \$270 per year, which he believes he will take advantage of.

Board member Askren moved Chief Beloit be permitted to proceed with the purchase of the color printer from Office Ware, the lowest of the quotes. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Beloit continued his report by stating he would like permission to give the new hire, Josh Brock, an advance clothing allowance on October 1, for the 4th quarter in order that he may purchase uniforms, etc. Board member Askren moved permission for the advance be given. Seconded by Board member Higgins. Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Beloit concluded his report by stating as the city was/is having financial issues, he has put off on purchasing some equipment, but since the city has now received some funds, he would like look into purchasing some new digital cameras. He added the ones they are currently using are at least 10 years old and a couple of them have quit working altogether. He stated he believes he can purchase a good camera for between \$200 and \$250 and he has been talking with a representative of Best Buy that feel he can get him a government bulk rate.

Board member Higgins moved Chief Beloit proceed with the purchase. Seconded by Board member Askren.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then asked if there were any questions of Chief Beloit ?

There were none.

Chief Waters stated he would like permission to close the 100 block of E. 6th Street on September 13 for testing.

Board member Higgins moved permission be given. Seconded by Board member Askren.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Chief Waters then stated he would like to have the interviews for the new firefighter on September 25, immediately following the Board of Works meeting, say around 5:00. He concluded his report by stating he has some Anniversary T-shirts that need to be declared junk and destroyed.

Board member Higgins moved the shirts be declared junk. Seconded by Board member Askren.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously. He then asked if there were any questions of Chief Waters ?

There were none.

Supt. Givens stated, in reference to the computer purchase they have been tossing around the last couple of meetings, he has actually found a better solution. He stated Odie Carrier who does a lot of their electrical work, replaced the hard drive and refurbished the computer, brought them a keyboard, a new mouse and six month warranty all for \$250.00. He added that is a great deal. He then stated and Danny Moss have applied to take their state testing in New Albany on October 9. He added they will need the city vehicle as well as the credit card for lodging, gas, and meals.

Board member Askren moved permission to attend, use city vehicle and credit card be given. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Supt. Givens concluded his report by stating he needs new tires on his truck and wondered if he should proceed with the purchase, or get quotes.

Board stated he should just have it done.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Comm. Maynard reported the salt has been delivered and the barn is full. He added there is still some on hold for the city, but they do have their first delivery. He stated he had reported that INDOT indicated the intersection of 4th and Main would be addressed by August 31, but after talking with them this week, they indicate it will be fixed next week some time.

Mayor Tucker asked if there were any questions ?

There were none.

Board member Higgins stated, as she is the Safety Girl, she has noticed a traffic issue at West School. She stated there is a One Way sign at the main entrance, but folks are still coming out both ways. She wondered if the police could watch that area and see if there is anything they can do. She further stated the intersection of 4th and Wolflin is beginning to be a problem with traffic congestion.

Chief Beloit replied the department has been down there due to the congestion in the area, but they will keep an extra eye out.

Board member Askren added the safety of the children comes first.

Mayor Tucker stated under Legals, he has the paperwork, that he just received, from Umbaugh on the contract for the wastewater rate study. He added they are requesting the contract to proceed with the study be approved and signed.

Board member Askren moved Mayor Tucker be permitted to sign the contract with Umbaugh to proceed on the wastewater rate study. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker stated under Audience is another request to block streets. He stated the request comes from Jim Tron with the Pumpkin Run Car Show, scheduled for September 21st. They are requesting 3rd Street be blocked from College to Walnut, and Main Street be blocked from 2nd to 4th.

Board member Askren moved permission to block the streets be given. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Tucker asked if there was any Old Business ?

There was none.

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There was none.

Mayor Tucker stated if there was no further business, he entertains a motion to adjourn.

Board member Askren moved the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Board member Higgins.

Mayor Tucker stated all those in favor of the motion should signify in the affirmative; and following the vote, he reported the motion carried unanimously and adjourned the meeting.

John Tucker
Mayor

ATTEST:

Cristi L. Wolfe
Clerk-Treasurer